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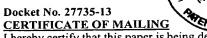
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Dear Sir:

In response to the Official Action dated December 19, 2005, please amend the present application as follows:

Amendments to the Claims are set forth in the Listing of the Claims which begins on page 2 of this paper.

Remarks begin on page 6 of this paper.